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TITLE  <b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, Was., ET AL</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>PERJURY</b> <b>ESPIONAGE - R</b> <b>INTERNAL SECURITY - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

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HORACE ALTON INGRAM, Route #1, Cartersville, Georgia, claims he identified picture of HISS in newspaper as being identical with person who gave him \$20.00 each to deliver two packages in Washington about 1938, and on the same day gave him \$200.00 to deliver another package to an unknown address in New York City. Two separate signed statements furnished by INGRAM, and background information concerning him set out.

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AT - 65-1333

DETAILS: At 8:15 p.m., on December 13, 1948, INGRAM telephonically reported that he had information which he could not discuss over the telephone.

On December 14, 1948; HORACE ALTON INGRAM of Cartersville, Georgia, was interviewed, and gave the information contained in the signed statement set forth hereafter. INGRAM voluntarily appeared in the Atlanta field office on the morning of December 15, 1948, and signed the following signed statement:

"Atlanta, Georgia  
December 15, 1948

"I, Horace A. Ingram, give the following voluntary signed statement to Special Agent Joseph T. Sylvester, Jr., who has identified himself to me as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice.

"I was born in Cartersville, Georgia, July 12, 1909, the son of James Annis Ingram. I attended school at Cartersville, Georgia, and completed the eighth grade, and when about seventeen or eighteen years of age left Cartersville and went to Canton, Ohio, where I worked for various companies as a laborer. I recall working for the Timken Roller Bearing Company, Canton, Ohio, for about five years from 1928 until the early 1930's. After that I hitchhiked, rode freights, and bummed around the country taking various laboring jobs wherever I could find them. I traveled all over the middle West and Eastern section of the United States.

"In about 1937 or 1938 I was in Morristown, Pennsylvania, working firing a boiler for the Thompson Wyman Company, and had worked there for about five to seven weeks when one morning I quit. On this day I hitchhiked to Washington, D. C., and arrived there somewhere around noon. As I was walking down Pennsylvania Avenue carrying a small bag, two men approached me and asked me if I was a stranger in town to which I replied "yes". They then asked me if I would like to do some work for them. One of the men did all of the talking. This man was about 35 or 40 years of age, 6 feet tall, weight approximately 170 pounds, hair dark black, complexion medium ruddy, nose sharp and long. He wore no glasses and was well dressed. He had an accent which led me to believe he was not an American, but I do not know what type of accent this was. The other man who was with him was about 5 feet 5 or 6, age 40 to 45, weight 190 pounds, build fat with big stomach, believed to be bald or light haired, well dressed. I don't recall what type of clothing they were wearing or whether or not they were wearing hats. The small fat man was carrying a briefcase.

"I don't recall where on Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington, D. C., this was as I am not acquainted with Washington, D. C. and know nothing about any of the streets. The tall man stated he was a lawyer and was representing the short fat man in a family affair, and asked me to step into a store which was either a drug store or a delicatessen store where you could get coca colas and sandwiches. The three of us sat in a booth and the tall man asked me if I would deliver an envelope which was brown in color, about 12 inches by 12 inches in size, and very bulky. I told him I would deliver it and he gave me \$20. I don't recall the size of the bills, whether they were ones, fives, twos, or tens.

"The two men walked out with me and they hailed a taxicab. There was no taxicab stand in front of this store. I remember that I went to some address on Ohio Street and the taxi waited for me. I left the taxi and walked to a brick house with a small yard in front of it, with no stairs leading up to the house as the door was right on the sidewalk, and rang a doorbell on the left hand side. This was a push doorbell, one that you press the button. A short woman about 40 to 45 years of age, 5 feet 4 or 5 feet 3, with dark complexion, came to the door and stated she was expecting me and took the envelope.

"I went back to the cab, and cab took me back to the store again. This took from 20 to 25 minutes. I don't recall how much money I paid the cab driver for my fare to and from this house. I don't recall whether the woman had an accent, but do recall she was dressed like a well dressed business woman. I can not recall what type of clothing she wore, and I would not recognize her if I saw her again.

"When I got back to the store the two men were waiting, and when I got out of the cab the tall man went back into the store into a pay booth and made a telephone call. He came back out and stated I had done a good job. He then asked me if I would deliver another envelope, and gave me another brown paper envelope which was bulky and the same size as the other envelope I had delivered, and asked me to deliver it to some place on either L or 14th Street. I don't recall the address or the street. I don't know whether it was north, south, east, or west. I again got into a taxicab, and it took me about 25 minutes to get to this house, where another woman came to the door and took the papers, saying she expected me. This house was a white frame house which did not sit back off the street and had no yard, but which had two steps leading up to it. The woman was about 40 or 45 years of age, 5 feet 1 or 2, heavy build or chunky, dressed very nice, but I can't recall any other thing about her description and would not recognize her if I should see her again.

"I again went back to this store on Pennsylvania Avenue, but don't know the name of the store or the type of the store. It was not a restaurant, and was either a delicatessen or a drug store. The tall man did not make a telephone call when I got back the second time, but the three of us went in and sat down in a booth and had a coca cola.

"At this time it was about 3:30 or 4:00 o'clock, and the tall man asked me if I would deliver another letter in New York for him, saying if I would deliver it he would give me \$200. I agreed to deliver this letter in New York, and the tall man gave me \$200 in ten and twenty dollar bills, and again gave me the same type envelope, the same size, and gave me an address on a piece of white paper which gave just an address and no name in New York City, which I

faintly recall as being some place off Fifth Avenue. The tall man told me to catch the train out of Washington, go to New York, catch a taxicab, give him this address, and deliver the papers. There was no name on this paper. I went to the station in Washington and caught I believe the Pennsylvania train to New York City about 7:00 PM. I believe I paid about \$4 fare for the coach ticket, and arrived in New York City about 10:00 o'clock. I caught a taxicab, and it must have taken about an hour and cost about \$3 to get to this address.

"When I arrived there I noticed it was a frame two story house on the corner of a street off to itself. There were no tall buildings around it and no stores or other things. I arrived there about 11:15 PM, and when I got to the house the short fat man was there to greet me. I asked him how he got there ahead of me, and he said that was his business. The short fat man invited me into the house and gave me three or four rum drinks, and questioned me for about three hours as to my name, age, where I came from, where I had been, what type of work I had done, and numerous other questions of this type. He did not hold me in the house against my will, and did not abuse or strike me. He did not threaten me, but from the way he kept asking me questions I felt that he was detaining me and I was unable to get away. This man had no guns, knife, or other arms.

"After questioning me for about three hours about myself the short man called a taxicab and I went back to the railroad station and caught a train to Atlanta, Georgia. From Atlanta, Georgia, I caught a bus to Cartersville, and I have never seen these two men since that time. I had never seen these men before that time, and the above deliveries of three envelopes were the only envelopes or work I did for either of these two men. I didn't see anyone while I was with these two men or when I delivered these envelopes who would know me or who would be able to corroborate these facts.

"I have never told this story to anyone before. I did not give this information to any other person. I only made one trip to New York City to deliver anything for these men or anyone else. I am telling this because I saw

a picture in the newspaper of the two Hiss brothers walking up the steps of a building, and the news article stated that they were being questioned concerning spy information. I recognized Alger Hiss from the paper as the tall man who gave me these papers to deliver. I would be able to identify him as this man. I don't recall what month of the year in 1937 or 1938 that this occurred but know it was in the spring of the year. I don't recall what day it was, but do know it was not a Sunday or a Saturday.

"I am unable to recall any other facts concerning the delivery of these envelopes, and the reason I am telling this is that the short fat man questioned me for about three hours and wrote down my name and all my background on paper.

"I have read and have had read to me this statement one four pages and it is true.

/s/ HORACE A. INGRAM

WITNESS:

JOSEPH T. SYLVESTER, Jr.

Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Atlanta, Ga.

PAUL F. TIERNEY

Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation,  
Atlanta, Ga."

Previous to the interview on the night of December 14, 1948, INGRAM was observed drinking from a pint bottle of wine by Special Agents SYLVESTER and TIERNEY, and admitted he had been on a drunk for a period of about a week. He denied giving any information concerning incidents mentioned in above signed statement to any other person at any other time except the above agents. He advised he had been arrested several times for intoxication, but for no other crime, and further advised that he was unable to supply the names of any persons who would be able to corroborate the story contained in the above signed statement.

On December 30, 1948, INGRAM was reinterviewed at Carterville, Georgia, at which time eight pictures, including one of ALGER HISS were shown to him, and was requested to see if he could identify one of these pictures as being identical with the person who gave him the packages

and money referred to above. He unhesitatingly drew the picture of ALGER HISS from this group of photographs. In an effort to clarify some points in the story he had previously told, the following additional signed statement was taken:

"Cartersville, Ga.  
December 30, 1948

"I, HORACE ALTON INGRAM, make the following voluntary statement to JOHN E. DAVIS who has identified himself to me as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

"I was born in Bartow County in or near Cartersville, Ga., July 12, 1909. At the present time I reside at R.F.D. #1, Cartersville. From March 31, 1942, to February 12, 1945, I was in the Army, and had serial number 35400135.

"When I was a boy I helped my father on the farm, but have always been sort of restless and like to travel, but not so much now as when I was younger.

"The following information is given to help clear up some of the points in the statement I made in Atlanta to Special Agent SYLVESTER on December 15, 1948.

"As I told Mr. SYLVESTER, I worked at various jobs in cities and farms in the Eastern part of the United States during the 1930's. I worked for Timken Roller Bearing Company in Canton, Ohio three or four different times during 1926 to sometime in the 1930's. I recall quitting Timken and working several months for Florida Power & Light Company in Miami, during or about 1927. I broke my arm in Miami, and then after it healed went back to Ohio and worked awhile. I recall being in the CCC camp at Blue Ridge, Georgia, about 1933 for about a year, then after being discharged I ran a hamburger joint in Cartersville with my father JAMES, and brother, RAYMOND INGRAM. We ran this place about a year and I think made a crop for either one or two years after

this on a farm my father rented from BOB MAXWELL near Cartersville. About 1936, I think I worked a little bit for the County here, and then decided to take off again. I hitchhiked all through Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, Illinois, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and possibly other states I don't remember.

"I always kept myself clean, and paid my own way. I would stop and work two or three weeks on a farm or in a restaurant as a short order cook, or counter man until I got a few dollars ahead, and then would go somewhere else. If I got too hard up I would wire home and my folks would send me a little money. Part of the time I worked under the name of JACK INGRAM, since that is what nearly everyone around Cartersville calls me, but I always sign official papers and things like that by my true name, which is HORACE.

"I recall going by the Thompson-Weinman plant in Morristown, Pennsylvania, twice along about then, and worked for them once. I knew some of the boys who worked there because Thompson-Weinman also operate a plant at Cartersville and some of the boys from here go there to work. I recall RHODY NELSON, COTTON NELSON and ED BIDDY were some of the Cartersville boys working for Thompson-Weinman when I worked up there for them. I believe I sent RHODY NELSON to the foreman to see about getting me a job, and I imagine he told him that JACK INGRAM from Cartersville wanted a job. I believe FRED CHAPPEL was the foreman who was my boss. I'm not sure whether it was this time I worked the few weeks for Thompson-Weinman, or the other time I just hitchhiked by there and talked to some of my friends, but I did go from Morristown, Pennsylvania to Washington the morning of the day I met the two men I described to Agent SYLVESTER. This was the only time I had been to Washington up to then, and I have never lived or worked there.

"I can't recall any better description of the two men than I gave before, but the tall man whose picture I saw in the paper and which I picked out of the group of photographs shown me by Agent DAVIS,

represented himself to be a lawyer and showed me a card that had a name, "Attorney At Law" and some address written on it. I don't recall the name or address. It seemed to me that the tall man was representing the short fat man in some sort of divorce action, and the papers they gave me were supposed to be something about alimony payments.

"I got the impression the tall man was taking the little man for a ride, because when the tall man gave me the \$200 he said to the short fat man, "See, that's how much just a little thing costs".

"As I said before, I went to New York City on a coach train. They told me to take the first train I could get to New York City, and I believe it was a Pennsylvania train, but I'm not sure. I did not talk to a single person in New York, but the taxi driver who took me to the address. I went to there and back to the railroad station, and the short man who met me and took the same package they gave me a few hours earlier in New York.

"The fat man told me I had done a good job and talked to me quite a bit about what I had been doing the past few years. I told him about how I had been rambling around the country farming some and working at other jobs.

"After going back to the railroad station in New York City, I went to the counter and bought a coach ticket to Atlanta. I believe I changed trains in Washington, but did not leave the railroad station there on the way back.

"I carried my little hand bag with me to New York from Washington and then back. I carried the envelope they gave me under my shirt because they told me to be sure not to lose it.

"I was heading back to Georgia when I met these men and intended to hitchhike, but when I made as much money as I did delivering their packages I decided to ride the train.

"I did not return to Washington until 1942, when the Army sent me there.

"I never mentioned this incident to anyone after I returned to Georgia, and forgot all about it until I saw the picture of ALGER HISS in the paper and recognized him as the tall man who gave me the packages and money in the spring of 1937 or 1938.

"I told my father about going to the F.B.I. the other day with this information, and he and my cousin, Judge INGRAM, who knows about it, both said I did the right thing. These are the only two people in Cartersville who know about this. I did go to the Police Station in Atlanta before going to the F.B.I., and some detective there told me the F.B.I. was the people I wanted to see. He called the F.B.I. office for me, and I talked to some man there who told me an Agent would see me the next morning.

"I have read this statement of six pages and it is true.

/s/ HORACE A. INGRAM

WITNESS:

JOHN E. DAVIS  
Special Agent, F.B.I. Atlanta, Ga."

INGRAM stated he believed that the photograph showing the two HISS brothers going up the steps of the Courthouse in New York City appeared in an Atlanta newspaper which was published sometime between December 9, and December 14, 1948. A complete review of all Atlanta papers during this period, as well as prior dates, was made, and no such picture was found, although the picture of ALGER HISS appeared several times in other poses. However, the files of "The Atlanta Journal" contain an Associated Press wire photo dated December 8, 1948, in New York, showing ALGER and DONALD HISS walking up the steps to the Federal Courthouse in New York. This particular picture as stated was not published in Atlanta papers, but did appear in the December 20th issue of "Life Magazine", and was presumably published in other publications.

It is noted that there are several news stands handling out of town and out of state newspapers in the vicinity of The Kimball House in Atlanta, where INGRAM could have obtained such papers.

INGRAM's divorced wife, LACY HEAD INGRAM, RFD, Cartersville, Georgia, said INGRAM had never told her about delivering packages as claimed in his signed statements, although she knew he had travelled a great deal when he was younger.

As set out in the signed statements, INGRAM is familiarly known as JACK INGRAM in the vicinity of Cartersville, and the report of Special Agent JAMES L. KIRKLAND, dated December 23, 1948, at Philadelphia, verified the fact that one JACK INGRAM worked for a short time between 1931 and 1936 for the Thompson-Weinman Company. It is noted that the Thompson-Weinman Company is an old, well established mining firm which operates at Cartersville, Georgia; and several other localities.

Chief of Police, AUCH MOODY, and Assistant Chief, H. G. DAVIS, at Cartersville, both said they have known INGRAM as JACK INGRAM some twenty five years, and although he has been arrested several times for drunkenness, he comes from a good family, and had a generally good reputation as far as truthfulness was concerned. It was ascertained that his father was Tax Collector of Bartow County, Georgia, of which Cartersville is the County Seat, several years ago. His first cousin, WILLIAM A. INGRAM, is a prominent Cartersville attorney, and a former City Court Judge who is known as Judge INGRAM.

INGRAM related that after seeing the picture of HISS in a newspaper he immediately went to the Atlanta Police Department and told his story to a detective, with possibly one or two other persons listening as he talked. The police officer referred him to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

On December 14, 1948, a representative of "The Atlanta Constitution", Atlanta, Georgia, submitted information indicating that INGRAM had told a story to a press representative at the police station, Atlanta, claiming that while in The Kimball House Hotel he saw a photograph in a newspaper of the HISS brothers, and believed he recalled one of them as being the man who paid him \$200.00 to deliver some sealed papers in Washington in 1938.

According to the story received from the newspaper, INGRAM indicated that he was detained in one of the houses in Washington where

he delivered papers, and was slapped several times during this period of detention, and that he was subsequently paid the sum of \$300.00 to deliver another sealed envelope to an address in New York City.

INGRAM during his interview, with Agents of the Atlanta field office stated that he did not make any statement to the press.

INGRAM related further that after being interviewed by Special Agents JOSEPH T. SYLVESTER and PAUL F. TIERNEY in the Atlanta office, he immediately returned to Cartersville, Georgia, and told this story to his father and Judge INGRAM, but no one else there knew of it. This was confirmed through interview with Judge INGRAM. However, Judge INGRAM pointed out that HORACE ALTON INGRAM was considered a virtual alcoholic, and would immediately buy alcoholic beverages with any money he was able to get his hands on. INGRAM said he was not working at the present time, but living on a Government pension of \$96.00 per month received for service connected disabilities during the War. He claims he intends to go to school under the GI Bill of Rights during 1949.

Mr. W. LEWIS BROWN, RFD, Cartersville, a farmer and factory representative of Savage Arms Company, and a former employee of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, said he had known HORACE INGRAM as JACK INGRAM around twenty five years, and considered him erratic and untruthful.

Through a check with Captain GREEN, Duty Officer, Third Army Headquarters, Fort McPherson, Georgia, it was ascertained that INGRAM received his Army discharge under AR 615-361. These regulations pertain to numerous types of medical discharges, including general disability, psychoneurosis, etc. INGRAM is presently residing on a small farm near Cartersville, Georgia, and has no immediate plans to travel in the near future.

ENCLOSURES TO NEW YORK:

Two signed statements of INGRAM, one dated 12-15-48,  
and one dated 12-30-48.

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<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p>Informant reinterviewed and claims relationship with JOHN KORAL good. Identity of two alleged associates of informant and KORAL at time alleged story related established. Circumstances leading to KORAL'S alleged story repeated by informant who denies acquainted with press reports of testimony of ALEXANDER KORAL before HUAC. Informant denies knowledge of identity of ALEXANDER KORAL. Acquaintance of informant advises informant resigned from Lions Club following request by members that he allow himself to be substituted for on a club sponsored ball team and informant might be type to hold a grudge if offended. Other acquaintances at Hendersonville, N. C. regard informant as reliable. CHESTER DAVIS, JR., not acquainted with HISS and has had no correspondence with him. L. J. DICKSON, associate of informant and KORAL while at Fort Jackson, S. C. claims no knowledge of allegations made by informant. Mrs. BERTHA I. HISS, 302 E. Park Avenue, Charlotte, aunt of ALGER HISS, is in possession of two typewritten letters dated July 2, and September 30, 1948, from her sister-in-law, Miss LUCY HISS, 206 Upnor Road, Baltimore, Md. Mrs. HISS declined to make these letters available due to present illness of Miss LUCY HISS and expected demise. She has maintained little contact with ALGER HISS, has never visited in his home, has no knowledge of a typewriter owned by him. and is not acquainted with his associates and friends.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- RUC -</p>			
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Report of SA J. HUGH SMITH, dated 1-3-49, Charlotte.  
New York teletype to Charlotte dated 1-3-49.  
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New York teletype to Charlotte dated 1-12-49.  
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and Baltimore dated 1-13-49.  
Charlotte teletype to Bureau, New York and Omaha dated 1-15-49.  
Charlotte teletype to Bureau and New York dated 1-20-49.

DETAILS:

By teletype dated January 3, 1949, the New York Office advised that JOHN KORAL, a tailor, 221 Willis Avenue, Mineola, Long Island, had been identified as JOHN KORAL (the nephew). KORAL (the nephew) advised he has no uncle, JOHN KORAL, knows of no living relatives of his father, also JOHN KORAL, who he believed was born in Austria. JOHN KORAL, the nephew, was born in Hibernia, New Jersey, March 16, 1919, and his only relatives are a brother, ANDREW KORAL, and four married sisters. His relatives live in New Jersey, N. Dierz, New Hampshire, and Mt. Viero, California. JOHN KORAL stated he heard of ALEXANDER KORAL only in newspaper reports concerning him and denied any relationship. He advised he was in the 530th Field Artillery, Fort Jackson, South Carolina and denied any knowledge of the facts as related by Confidential Informant T-1. KORAL could not identify various photographs of subjects in instant case, including a photograph of ALEXANDER KORAL, except a photograph of HISS which he had seen in a newsreel.

By teletype dated January 5, 1949, the New York Office advised KORAL could not recall any individual who held a grudge against him or might make such statement as a joke. During the course of the interview he named various friends of his while in the Army and mentioned the informant. He stated he believed his relations with his superiors while in the Army were good and that he was willing to confront any individual making such allegations.

The Charlotte Office was requested to reinterview the informant as to circumstances under which KORAL allegedly related the story and to attempt to develop relationship between the informant and KORAL while in the Army to ascertain any ulterior motive why the informant should make such statements. It was also requested that it be determined if the informant was acquainted with press reports of the testimony of ALEXANDER KORAL before the House Un-American Activities Committee, Washington, D. C.

The following investigation was conducted by SA STANLEY C. SETTLE and the writer:

At Hendersonville, North Carolina

Confidential Informant T-1 advised he first met JOHN KORAL about April 1944 at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, at which time both were assigned to the 530th Field Artillery. Prior to April 1944, the informant had served with another military organization and had been stationed in South America. Upon returning to the United States, the informant was given a twenty day furlough before reporting to the above mentioned assignment.

At the time of meeting JOHN KORAL, KORAL was assigned to the informant's section known as the Wire Section. The informant, with the rank of Corporal, was in charge of the section and KORAL held the rank of Private First Class and was, therefore, under the supervision of the informant.

Subsequently the informant, JOHN KORAL, FRANK T. ~~CATE~~, Apartment 5, 818 Eighteenth Street, Des Moines, Iowa, and L. J. DICKSON, Apartment 2, 1701 South Boulevard, Charlotte, North Carolina, became associates and "buddies".

The informant stated that on at least two occasions he went on passes to Rock Hill, South Carolina, home of Winthrop College (a large woman's college). On other occasions known to the informant, KORAL obtained passes to go to Rock Hill, South Carolina, and apparently went to that city for the weekends either alone or in the company of one of the above named associates. The reason for going to Rock Hill was to date girls at Winthrop whose names are not now recalled by the informant. The informant said it was customary to obtain dates upon arrival in Rock Hill and the informant does not believe KORAL engaged the company of any particular girl.

The informant said that the above is the only knowledge he has of KORAL'S going farther away from Fort Jackson than into Columbia, South Carolina which is adjacent to Fort Jackson.

According to Confidential Informant T-1, on one occasion KORAL borrowed \$260 from him, all of which was promptly repaid. KORAL allegedly sent a wire to his home in New York to obtain money. Informant pointed out KORAL had lost heavily, approximately \$180, in a dice game just after a pay day. Informant claimed he won a large sum in the same game. He also claimed this to be the only financial transaction he ever had with KORAL.

It was said by the informant that KORAL had no trouble with his superior officers, commissioned or non-commissioned, except on one occasion

while stationed at Camp Chaffey, Fort Smith, Arkansas. The informant found it necessary to reprimand KORAL and FRANK CATE for failure to carry out an assigned duty. The informant claims no ill feelings resulted and the three later apologized. The informant volunteered that throughout the period of time he was with KORAL in the Army there were no ill feelings between them.

The informant added that during conversations in which KORAL participated, KORAL never discussed the status or activities of his father, mother, or other immediate relatives with the one exception as set forth in reference report of the Charlotte Office. The informant said he was positive KORAL never had in his possession written material nor is he known to have made any statements indicating disloyalty to the United States except on rare occasions he did comment as did others in the Army that he wished Europe would fight its own wars.

Informant T-1 said that since the time of the last interview he had recalled that about 1945 while his military outfit was en route to Italy and while still on board a transport, DICKSON mentioned that KORAL was somewhat peculiar to the other individuals in the outfit. The informant then told DICKSON that KORAL had made some "peculiar statements" to him while at Fort Jackson. The conversation was ended at this point and DICKSON did not indicate a similar statement had been made to him. The informant denies he discussed KORAL'S story with either DICKSON or CATE and they never indicated a similar story had been told to them by KORAL.

Again the informant related in substance the circumstances surrounding the telling of the alleged story by KORAL as has been set out in reference report of the Charlotte Office. He advised the event must have occurred about four months after he met KORAL. Informant T-1 advised that as he now recalls, KORAL first pronounced the name ALGER HISS and as the informant apparently did not understand the last name, KORAL spelled "HISS". The informant maintained he is positive KORAL was describing a person whom he identified as his uncle and that KORAL, the nephew, repeated the name of his uncle as JOHN KORAL.

The informant said KORAL did not appear to be prone to exaggerate and he assured that he could have reported the matter before he did or before there was any publicity concerning HISS and that on occasions he had thought of reporting the matter to military intelligence but did not for to him since he had no idea as to the identity of ALGER HISS, the story as related by KORAL sounded somewhat fantastic. He said he felt that to report a fantastic story might make people think "I was crazy". After publicity was given to the activities of ALGER HISS, his memory was refreshed as to the story related by KORAL through the association of the name HISS. The informant pointed out that

it is entirely possible that KORAL was relating a story concerning some other individual than ALGER HISS.

According to Informant T-1 since the occasion of the last interview, he has recalled that while at Fort Jackson, KORAL on one afternoon was released from special duty to visit someone thought by the informant to have been KORAL'S uncle, JOHN KORAL. KORAL returned to duty the next afternoon at which time the informant asked KORAL why his uncle would come all the way from New York City for a one day visit. KORAL made the comment that his uncle wanted to visit him as he had not seen KORAL for such a long time. The informant states that it is his impression the two met some place in Columbia, South Carolina.

Informant claimed he has endeavored to recall additional events or statements or associates that would be of assistance in proving or disproving the story of KORAL. He said the conversation with KORAL at the time the story was related did not exceed fifteen minutes and as it had no real meaning to him at the time, the events and exact statements are not now too clear.

The informant denied being acquainted with press reports of the testimony of ALEXANDER KORAL before the House Un-American Activities Committee in Washington, D. C. He professed no idea regarding the true identity of ALEXANDER KORAL.

Mrs. W. P. LANCE, Apartment 34, Maxwell Apartments, Fifth Avenue, West, Hendersonville, North Carolina, whose husband is an investigator, U. S. Treasury Department, Alcohol Tax Unit, advised she has known the informant and informant's wife for approximately one year. Mrs. LANCE said that they bear excellent reputations in Hendersonville and are regarded as being honest and reliable.

Mr. COLUMBUS FEW, Postmaster, Hendersonville, advised that while he is not personally acquainted with the informant, the informant is generally regarded by employees of the Post Office who know him as being honest and of good reputation.

Mr. CLAUDE DRAKE, owner Central Newsstand, Sixth Avenue, West, Hendersonville, and an outstanding citizen of the city, advised he has known the informant for at least two to three years. He said the informant is honest, a hard worker and well thought of in Hendersonville with one possible exception known to only a few people in Hendersonville. He explained that in the early part of 1948, the informant joined the Lions Club at Hendersonville, and during the summer months played on a soft ball team sponsored by the Lions Club. Toward the end of the season there was a chance for the Lions Club team to

win a league championship and as the informant was regarded as one of the weaker players of the team and another member of the club was thought by some to be better, it was suggested to the informant that he allow this individual to be substitute. The informant displayed appearances of being very jealous of his status and subsequently resigned from the ball team, following which he resigned from the Lions Club. The informant gave as his excuse that his employment which requires he work at night prevented his devoting the attention he should within the Lions Club. Mr. DRAKE stated that even though the informant is generally regarded as reliable, it appeared to him the informant might be the type to hold a deep grudge if offended.

By teletype dated January 11, 1949, the Bureau requested that CHESTER DAVIS, JR., a former Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, now a staff writer for the Journal and Sentinel Newspaper, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, mentioned in reference report by former SA ROY L. MORGAN, Greensboro, North Carolina, be interviewed for any information he may have of espionage activities of ALGER HISS. It was also requested that any typewritten correspondence he might have from HISS be obtained and that it be ascertained if he knows other sources where typewriting specimens might be obtained.

The following investigation was conducted by SA CARMON J. STUART:

At Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Mr. CHESTER DAVIS, JR., stated he is not acquainted with ALGER HISS and has never met him. He possesses no correspondence with HISS and knows of no persons who may have such correspondence except those already known to the Bureau.

CHESTER DAVIS, JR., related that he had heard his father speak of an incident which occurred in the Department of Agriculture in the middle 1930's. Mr. DAVIS and GEORGE N. PEEK went to Washington, D. C., to work with HENRY WALLACE in the Agriculture Department, and Mr. PEEK was the first head of the AAA. Through some maneuvering on the part of a click in the Department ~~by~~ group including JEROME FRANK, LEE PRESSMAN, ALGER HISS, C. B. BALDWIN and PAUL APPLEBY, a situation was created which forced PEEK to resign because WALLACE would not back him up. Mr. DAVIS'S father, CHESTER DAVIS, SR., President of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Missouri, took over as head of the AAA and outlined to this same group of lawyers a policy to be followed in connection with a very explosive tenant farmer problem in the mid-south. Mr. CHESTER DAVIS, SR. went away on a trip and upon his return found this same group had deliberately violated his instructions by proceeding along a line

which would have caused additional trouble and possible violence. Mr. DAVIS recognized this as another of the same type of schemes which resulted in the forced resignation of PEEK and went directly to Mr. WALLACE about it. He got Mr. WALLACE pinned down and then fired all except HISS, whom he reprimanded.

CHESTER DAVIS, JR., emphasized the fact that he was repeating this story from memory over a long period of time, that it is purely hearsay and pointed out he may be in error as to the exact facts.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JACK C. WARD:

at Charlotte, North Carolina

LOUIE JAMES DICKSON, 300 Irvin Avenue, Charlotte, North Carolina, employed by the Duke Power Company as a surveyor, was interviewed in the field office.

DICKSON advised that he was in the Army for approximately five years, being attached to the 530th Field Artillery Battalion. He related that in about 1944 he was stationed at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, for approximately thirty days. Continuing he advised that during this period he became acquainted with a soldier by the name of JOHN KORAL whose bunk was located near his. He related that it was his understanding that KORAL was from New York State. DICKSON described KORAL as being about five feet in height and rather fat and heavy set.

DICKSON stated that he was not intimately acquainted with KORAL and never heard him mention the names of any of his relatives or the names of any of their employers. He advised that during his brief acquaintance with KORAL he never heard him mention the name of ALGER HISS or state that any of his relatives had ever worked for HISS.

DICKSON stated that he did not know a soldier stationed at Fort Jackson by the name of FRANK T. CATE. He related that he did recall a soldier by the name of SAMS or a similar sounding name but he did not know whether the SAMS he referred to was ever stationed at Fort Jackson. He explained that the SAMS he knew was in combat with him in Europe and received an injury to one of his hands.

The following investigation was conducted by SA J. MYERS COLE:

Mrs. BERTHA I. HISS, 302 East Park Avenue, aunt of ALGER HISS, informed that in 1939 while visiting her sister-in-law, Miss LUCY HISS at 206 Upnor Road, Homeland, Baltimore, Maryland, ALGER HISS called for a brief visit and that she has seen him only once since that time, approximately three years ago on another visit to the home of Miss LUCY HISS. Other than these visits, and except for a Christmas Greeting Card which she received from ALGER HISS two or three years ago, Mrs. HISS informed that she had maintained no contact with him. Mrs. HISS has examined her personal effects in an effort to locate this card but without success. It is her present belief that it was destroyed shortly after she received it. She stated, however, that in the event she was able to locate it she would make it available to this office. Mrs. HISS stated that she was in possession of two typewritten letters dated July 2 and September 30, 1948, from Miss LUCY HISS at the above address in Baltimore. She declined to make these letters available due to the present serious illness of Miss LUCY HISS and her expected demise. She pointed out that Miss LUCY HISS is approximately 90 years of age and owns a small portable typewriter on which these letters were written which may be presently located at her home. Mrs. HISS knew of no typewriters owned by other members of the HISS family. She has never visited in the home of ALGER HISS, has no knowledge of a typewriter owned by him, and is not acquainted with his associates or friends.

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LEADS

THE OMAHA DIVISION

At Des Moines, Iowa, will at 818 Eighteenth Street, Apartment 5, interview FRANK T. CATE in an attempt to determine if JOHN KORAL has related a similar story to CATE. Will also attempt to develop relationship between informant and KORAL while in the Army to ascertain any motive why the informant should make such a statement. (The foregoing lead was set out by teletype from Charlotte to the Bureau, New York and Omaha dated January 15, 1949).

THE BALTIMORE DIVISION

A copy of instant report is being furnished the Baltimore Office for information in view of the information furnished by Mrs. BERTHA I. HISS, 302 East Park Avenue, Charlotte, North Carolina, aunt of ALGER HISS, concerning her sister-in-law, Miss LUCY HISS, 206 Upnor Road, Homeland, Baltimore, Maryland.

THE WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION

A copy of instant report is being furnished the Washington Field Division for informational purposes in view of information concerning possible sources of typewriting specimens within the HISS family.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

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Confidential Informant T-1

[redacted]  
[redacted] telephone  
[redacted] North Carolina.  
Mr. [redacted] is employed by the [redacted]  
[redacted] which is owned  
by [redacted] He has requested  
that the source of the information be  
retained by the F.B.I. only.

ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Confidential Informant T-1, [REDACTED] North Carolina, advised [REDACTED] LOHREN CLIFFORD GUICE, is employed by the Bureau at Washington, D. C., as a clerk. Reference is made to Bureau file 67-431833, entitled "LOHREN CLIFFORD GUICE, Bureau Applicant - Clerk".

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For the information of the New York Office in connection with the above, investigation of GUICE revealed that the reputation of his parents and other immediate relatives residing in the Hendersonville area, Asheville and Biltmore, North Carolina, as excellent with the exception of a brother, ULYSSES G. GUICE, who has become intoxicated on occasions. This information was furnished by references C. C. McCALL, JOHN F. McCALL and by Chief of Police E. C. ORR, Hendersonville, North Carolina. They advised ULYSSES G. GUICE has never been known to cause trouble while in such condition and all relatives were described as being loyal American citizens.

The informant continues to insist that the source of the information be treated in a confidential manner and retained only by the F.B.I. He expresses a fear that harm might come to his wife and child should JOHN KORAL actually be involved in an espionage activity and should he ever learn that the informant related a story which had been told to the informant in confidence. The informant insists that he is repeating as best he can recall a story that was related to him by JOHN KORAL.

The informant volunteered that he realizes he may be repeating a hoax but after reading HISS' activities in the newspapers, he is repeating what was told to him for whatever benefit it might be to the Government. He also volunteered the fact that he realizes that the story is somewhat fantastic and that the Bureau will endeavor to prove his reliability and pointed out that the story when first related by KORAL meant nothing to him as he had no idea of ALGER HISS' identity. He advised the story did arouse his curiosity at the time and he thought several times of reporting the matter to Army authorities, but took no further action as time went on as he felt the authorities might look on the story as fantastic and think he was a "fool". During interviews with SMIS, he appeared to be straightforward, was composed and appeared to have a sincere desire to be helpful. He has at no time been critical of KORAL for any action on the part of KORAL and does not indicate any close relationship with KORAL. He has failed to indicate that he holds any grudge against KORAL.

No lead is being set forth by the Charlotte Office to interview CHESTER DAVIS, SR., President of Federal Reserve Bank, St. Louis, Missouri, inasmuch as the Charlotte Office by teletype dated December 31, 1948, advised

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ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS (CONT'D)

the Bureau and the New York Office of the possibility that CHESTER DAVIS, SR. might possess pertinent information at which time the same information was also furnished concerning CHESTER DAVIS, JR.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

This case originated at <b>NEW YORK</b>		File No. <b>65-3251 maw</b>	
Report made at <b>BOSTON, MASS.</b>	Date <b>1/24/49</b>	Period <b>1/3 - 21/49</b>	Report made by <b>FREDERICK M. CONNORS</b>
Title <b>JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, Was. ALGER HISS ET AL</b>			Character <b>PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY - R</b>

**Synopsis:**

CHARLES CURTIS and JOHN L. HALL, former associates of HISS at Choate, Hall and Stewart, Boston, Mass., Judge CHARLES EDWARD WYZANSKI and Professor PAUL A. FREUND, Harvard University, former associates of HISS in Solicitor General's Office, Washington, D. C., on interview could furnish no information pertinent to instant case. Professor RICHARD FIELD, Harvard Law School, cannot recall HISS having a typewriter and did not know his associates at Washington, D.C. Woodstock typewriter, Serial No. F92377, owned by CHARLES F. WEST of Newton, Mass. not identical with machine used to type Q-6 through Q-69 documents in instant case. Professor BOGART, who corresponded with HISS regarding summer tenancy of HISS at Peacham, Vermont, advises he destroyed correspondence. No record of ALGER HISS' membership in or correspondence with bird clubs in New England area located. No typewritten correspondence of HISS located at Harvard Law School. Laboratory states letter furnished by T-1 emanating from HISS not identical with questioned documents. Typed letters sent CHARLES CURTIS and Professor RICHARD FIELD by ALGER HISS submitted to Laboratory for examination. No tourist registration of HISS and CHAMBERS for August, 1937 located at Peterboro, N.H. to date.

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**REFERENCE:**

Bureau File No. 74-1333.

Report of Special Agent FREDERICK M. CONNORS at Boston dated 1/3/49.

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DETAILS:

Unless otherwise indicated, all investigation reported herein was conducted by Special Agent FREDERICK M. CONNORS.

RE: INTERVIEW WITH FORMER ASSOCIATES  
OF ALGER HISS AT CHOATE, HALL AND  
STEWART, 30 STATE STREET, BOSTON,  
MASSACHUSETTS.

CHARLES CURTIS, on January 18, 1949, advised that his association with ALGER HISS at the office of Choate, Hall and Stewart, had been extremely limited as he became associated with the firm just about the time Mr. HISS was leaving for Government service. Mr. CURTIS stated that from April, 1941 to September, 1941 he, CURTIS, was in charge of the Export License Department, Secretary of State's Office, Washington, D. C. and during that time he had probably talked with ALGER HISS no more than a dozen times. Mr. CURTIS said that he had become well acquainted with DONALD HISS, brother of ALGER HISS and this was probably the reason for him also getting acquainted with ALGER HISS. MR. CURTIS pointed out that his talks with ALGER HISS had all been at the State Department. He said he was not acquainted with the associates of HISS at the State Department as his conversations generally took place when he would meet ALGER HISS in a corridor of the State Department building.

MR. CURTIS expressed confidence in the integrity and loyalty of Mr. HISS. He said that at no time in their conversations had ALGER HISS appeared to be other than a loyal American. He said that when he went to the State Department in 1941 the security in the State Department had been quite lax and it was possible to enter the building during that time unchallenged at odd hours. Mr. CURTIS pointed out that of course, as soon as the United States became involved in the war the security at the State Department became much more rigid.

Mr. CURTIS said that when ALGER HISS became involved in this trouble in 1948 he forwarded a letter to him expressing confidence in him. ALGER HISS replied to this letter on 8/31/48 on the letterhead of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. This letter was obtained from Mr. CURTIS and was forwarded Air Mail Special Delivery to the FBI Laboratory, on January 21, 1949.

MR. JOHN L. HALL, Senior Partner at Choate, Hall and Stewart during the period of time ALGER HISS was associated with this firm advised

he had received no typewritten correspondence from ALGER HISS and was unable to furnish any information pertinent to instant case.

RE: INTERVIEW WITH FORMER ASSOCIATES  
OF ALGER HISS AT SOLICITOR GENERAL'S  
OFFICE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
APRIL, 1935 TO AUGUST, 1936.

Washington Field Office teletype to Boston dated 1/14/49 requested Boston to interview PAUL A. FREUND, formerly an attorney in the Solicitor General's Office while ALGER HISS was also so employed.

PAUL A. FREUND, Professor of Law, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass., advised that he had come to Washington, D.C. or had resided in Washington, D.C. 1933 to 1939 and had been employed at the Solicitor General's Office, Department of Justice, 1935 to 1939. With respect to ALGER HISS, DR. FREUND stated that he had seen him off and on during that period and socially they had been on friendly terms. He said that both he and HISS had been employed in the same section with offices about 3 doors apart. He said that he met HISS at various social gatherings but said that HISS had never been an intimate friend. He said that he could not recall having visited the home of ALGER HISS. He said that their social contacts had been brought about through mutual friends in group gatherings and that was about the extent of their association.

He said that at no time had he ever heard anything reflecting upon the loyalty of ALGER HISS or indicating that he was sympathetic in any way with any Communist ideology. Professor FREUND was unfamiliar with the names of other subjects of this case and had no knowledge of any association between ALGER HISS and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS.

Professor FREUND said that the individuals who appeared to be the most closely associated with ALGER HISS while HISS was employed at the solicitor General's office were:

(Judge) CHARLES EDWARD WYZANSKI, JR.  
Federal District Court  
Boston, Mass.

CHARLES HORSKY  
Office of Covington, Burling & Acheson,  
Washington, D. C.

A teletype was forwarded to the Washington Field Office by Boston 1/21/49, requesting CHARLES HORSKY be interviewed.

JUDGE CHARLES E. WYZANSKI, JR., of Boston, advised he was formerly a Special Assistant to the Attorney General, Department of Justice during the period of time ALGER HISS was employed there, He said he first became acquainted with HISS at Harvard Law School.

He said that ALGER HISS was considered the first man in his class at Harvard Law School from a character, scholarship and personality standpoint. Judge WYZANSKI said that he visited HISS while he was employed as an Assistant to Justice HOLMES of the U.S. Supreme Court on 4/22/30.

From 1931 to April, 1933, Judge WYZANSKI was a practicing attorney at Boston, Massachusetts. From 1933 to 1937 Judge WYZANSKI was employed at Washington, D.C. as a Solicitor in the U.S. Department of Labor and later with the Department of Justice. He returned to Boston in 1937 and remained in Boston until the latter part of 1941, at which time he again returned to Washington, D.C. In December, 1941 Judge WYZANSKI received his appointment as Judge at the U.S. District Court, Boston, Mass. He stated that he spent a period of time at Washington, D.C. in 1942 on Lend Lease matters and also in 1943 was at Washington for a period of days in the State Department.

JUDGE WYZANSKI stated that he knew ALGER HISS well, that during the time both were employed at the Department of Justice HISS and he had adjoining offices and that he had contact with him daily. Judge WYZANSKI stated that he also had frequent social contacts with ALGER HISS while both were at Washington, D.C. Judge WYZANSKI states that at no time had he detected in ALGER HISS any Communist Party ideology. He had never received any information reflecting that HISS had any subversive connections or was engaged in any way in abstracting Government documents. He said that he had never observed a typewriter at the HISS home and had received no type-written correspondence from ALGER HISS.

He had no knowledge of the other subjects mentioned in this case nor had he ever received any indication that HISS had been acquainted with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS.

RE: INTERVIEW WITH PROFESSOR RICHARD  
HINKLEY FIELD, PROFESSOR OF LAW,  
HARVARD LAW SCHOOL,  
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS.

Washington Field Office teletype dated 1/5/49 requested Boston to interview Professor RICHARD HINKLEY FIELD, Of Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, a friend of ALGER HISS.

Professor FIELD stated that ALGER HISS and he were classmates at Harvard Law School from 1926-29 and belonged to the same freshman study group. Following graduation, being the two top men in their class, they went to the Harvard Law Review for a period of 2 years after which HISS went on to act as secretary for Justice HOLMES of the U.S. Supreme Court. While working at Choate, Hall & Stewart, Attorneys, in the Fall of 1931, HISS decided to take a position in New York City. His wife went ahead to New York and for a period of a few months ALGER HISS resided with Professor FIELD at the latter's Beacon Hill Apartment, Boston, Mass. In the summer of 1933, HISS contacted FIELD at FIELD's Vermont summer residence, requesting him to go to work for the AAA. Professor FIELD stated that at this time HISS and LEE PRESSMAN were assistants to JEROME FRANK, who is presently Judge, Circuit Court, Second Circuit, New York City. Professor FIELD stated that he resided at the Georgetown residence of ALGER HISS for a few months in 1933. He said from 1933 to 1943 he saw HISS on the average of about once a year, that is, some years not at all and other years two or three times. In 1943 FIELD went to the Office of Price Administration as General Counsel and states he saw ALGER HISS several times a year through 1946. He said he had seen him once in 1947 and had lunch with him about December 9 or 10 of 1948.

Professor FIELD stated that he considered ALGER HISS to be his best friend. He said that during his association with HISS, the latter never gave any indication of sympathy with Communism, or the Communist Party. He said that at no time had he received information either directly or indirectly that HISS had furnished any Government documents to anyone. Professor FIELD had never heard of the names WHITTAKER CHAMBERS or GEORGE CROSLY or any of

the other subjects mentioned in this case. He said he had never visited the summer home of HISS at Peacham, Vermont. He stated further that in 1932 or 1933 he has a hunch that HISS had a typewriter in his possession but he is not sure of this and certainly has no recollection of a Woodstock typewriter.

On January 21, 1949 Professor FIELD made available a letter which he had received from ALGER HISS consisting of one and a fraction pages dated 12/24/46 on the letterhead of the Department of State, Washington. This letter was forwarded to the FBI Laboratory by letter dated January 21, 1949.

RE: WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER, SERIAL NO.  
92377, NOT IDENTICAL WITH MACHINE  
USED TO TYPE DOCUMENTS Q-6 THROUGH Q-69

Washington Field Teletype to Boston dated January 6, 1949 requested Boston to interview CHARLES F. WEST, formerly of Arlington, Virginia, who had purchased a Woodstock typewriter at Washington, D. C.

CHARLES F. WEST, 25 Frank Street, Watertown, Massachusetts, was interviewed by Special Agents JOHN F. TOOMEY and the reporting Agent on January 7, 1949. It was ascertained that he had purchased this typewriter from the Leon Typewriter Co., Washington, D. C. on November 12, 1947. The typewriter was a Woodstock Standard Typewriter, Serial Number F92377. The right shift key of the typewriter had a printed inset under the glass portion of the key with the following wording: "Purvin Typewriter, Chelsea 3-3600, Navaare 8-0672."

Appropriate specimens were taken from this typewriter by Special Agent TOOMEY and they were forwarded to the FBI Laboratory by letter dated 1/7/49. By letter dated 1/10/49 the FBI Laboratory advised it had been concluded that this typewriter, owned by WEST, was not identical with the machine which was used to type Documents Q-6 through Q-69 in instant cases. The specimens taken from the typewriter of CHARLES F. WEST, Woodstock Typewriter, Serial No. F-92377, has been designated as Specimens K259 by the FBI Laboratory and is being retained in its file.

RE: ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN TYPEWRITTEN  
CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO 1947  
SUMMER TENANCY OF ALGER HISS AT  
PEACHAM, VERMONT

Professor ERNEST M. BOGART, the father of MRS. ELINOR PILCHER, of Berkeley Street, West Newton, Mass., advised that he negotiated with the HISS family for the rental of the cottage owned by MRS. PILCHER at Peacham, Vermont during early June, 1947 and received a typewritten letter from them. However, prior to leaving for Vermont himself, Professor BOGART stated he destroyed all unimportant correspondence including the letter he received from ALGER HISS. Professor BOGART, who also spent his summers at Peacham, Vermont, stated he did not know where any HISS correspondence may be located nor did he know anything about a Woodstock or any other typewriter being in the possession of the HISS family.

RE: ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN CORRESPONDENCE  
EMANATING FROM ALGER HISS FROM  
BIRD CLUBS IN NEW ENGLAND AREA

Washington Field teletype dated 1/5/49 advised Boston that ALGER HISS was reportedly an amateur ornithologist and requested the membership rolls of certain organizations be checked, both past and present, for the purpose of locating typewritten correspondence emanating from ALGER HISS.

A check of the following organizations failed to disclose either membership in the organization or correspondence received by the organization or individuals interviewed:

1. C. RUSSELL MASON, Secretary, Massachusetts Audubon Society, 155 Newbury St., Boston.
2. CHARLES B. FLOYD, 210 South St., Boston, who maintains the membership records of the Northeast Bird Banding Association, the Eastern Bird Banding Association and the Inland Bird Banding Association.
3. Prof. LUDLOW GRISCOM, Pres. of the Nuttall Bird Club, Museum of Comparative Anatomy, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
4. LAWRENCE B. FLETCHER of the Trustees of Public Reservations, 50 Congress St., Boston, Mass.
5. ELMER FOYE, President of the Essex Ornithology Club, Peabody Museum, Salem, Mass.
6. MISS GRACE M. SNOW, Secretary of the Brookline Bird Club, 39 Forest St., Winchester, Mass.

RE: ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN TYPEWRITTEN MATERIAL  
EMANATING FROM ALGER HISS AT HARVARD  
LAW SCHOOL, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

ERWIN NATHANIEL GRISWOLD, Dean of Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass. on 1/13/49, stated that a search of the law school files and his own personal files had been previously made at the request of an investigator for the House Committee on Un-American Activities. This search had failed to disclose any typewritten material emanating from ALGER HISS. Dean GRISWOLD said that Harvard Law School had obtained for this investigator a prospectus which had been forwarded to the Harvard Alumni Association by ALGER HISS. Dean GRISWOLD stated that this prospectus had been turned over to the investigator and that he did not anticipate that it would be returned. He said that in the event it was returned to Harvard Law School he would notify the Boston Office.

This prospectus was previously described in the Boston report of Special Agent FREDERICK M. CONNORS dated 1/3/49. The typewriting is confined to the name, address and occupation of ALGER HISS.

RE: SPECIMEN K229 FURNISHED BY T-1 NOT  
IDENTICAL WITH Q-6 THROUGH Q-69.

Bureau teletype to Boston dated 1/4/49 advised that ALGER HISS had given an address before the Commercial Club of Boston in 1946 and requested Boston to contact this club for the purpose of obtaining typewritten correspondence.

Boston Confidential Informant T-1, who was connected with the Commercial Club of Boston in 1946, advised he had made arrangements for the appearance of ALGER HISS at Boston, Mass. This informant stated that after searching through his files relating to the Commercial Club that he could not locate the letter from HISS regarding this speech. The informant was, however, successful in locating a letter dated 9/3/48. The letter furnished by informant was forwarded to the FBI Laboratory by Boston letter of 1/6/49. It was concluded by the Laboratory that this letter, which the Laboratory designated as Specimen K229, was not typed with the machine which was used to type specimens Q-6 through Q-69 in instant case. Photographic copies of this letter were made and the letter was returned to the informant at his request. It is noted that the letter concerned a contemplated speech and was not material to instant case.

RE: ATTEMPT TO VERIFY VISIT OF HISS AND  
CHAMBERS AT PETERBORO, N.H.,  
SUMMER OF 1937.

New York, by teletype dated 1/6/49, advised that information had been received from WHITTAKER CHAMBERS that in the summer of 1937 ALGER HISS and his wife took CHAMBERS to New Hampshire and that en route they had stopped at Thomaston, Connecticut and Peterboro, New Hampshire overnight. CHAMBERS recalled the Peterboro stop as being a white frame structure on a hill on the right hand side of the highway entering Peterboro, N.H. from the north and further stated that on the northern outskirts of Peterboro that evening he saw a summer stock production of "She Stoops to Conquer."

MARTIN J. KEENAN, Postmaster, U.S. Post Office, Peterboro, N.H., on 1/12/49, advised that the only tourist home he knew of which was operating on Route 202 to the north of Peterboro during 1937 was owned by a MR. CHARLES A. CHENEY. He said that the Peterboro newspaper was known as "The Peterboro Transcript."

PAUL CUMMINGS, JR., Editor of the Peterboro Transcript, stated that the Peterboro Players, a summer stock company, put on their plays at the Stearns Farm located on the Middle Hancock Road in Peterboro, N.H. He said that because of a fire, the 1937 issues of the Peterboro Transcript were no longer available at his office but said that bound copies could be procured at the Town Library, Main Street, Peterboro, N.H.

Reporting Agent located the Stearns Farm, approximately 3 miles north and 3/10 of a mile off Summer Street, which is known as the Middle Hancock Road. It was noted that this is a rural route running north from Main Street, Peterboro, to the Town of Hancock. A placard tacked up in the shed adjacent to the main barn reflected one of the plays put on by the Peterboro Players in 1937 as "She Stoops to Conquer."

The bound volume of the Peterboro Transcript at the Town Library, Main St., Peterboro, N.H., Volume 89, #31, dated 8/5/37, carried the following announcements: "Peterboro Players Professional Summer Company, Stearns Farm -- Middle Hancock Road, 'She Stoops to Conquer or Mistakes of a Night,' 'Hilarious Comedy,' by OLIVER GOLDSMITH, beginning next Tuesday and running through Sunday, Curtain 8:30 P.M. D.S.T., Admission at Box Office \$1.10 incl. tax. Phone reservations Peterboro 343." Volume 89, #32 of the Peterboro Transcript dated Thursday, 8/12/37 reflected the same play was in progress and gave the following time: "Tonight through Sunday, 8:30 D.S.T."

MRS. CHARLES A. CHENEY, Route 202, Hancock, located her registrations

for the year 1937. The month of August, 1937 failed to reflect the name of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, under his true name or any known alias or the name of ALGER HISS. It was noted that the tourist home operated by CHARLES A. CHENEY in 1937 was on the left side of the road and otherwise did not appear to answer the description supplied by MR. CHAMBERS.

MR. AND MRS. FREDERICK WILDER, Route 202, Hancock Stated that they did take in guests in 1937 but never kept any books. MR. WILDER, who drives the school bus, stated he did not know of any place which was operating in 1937 which answered the description of the white frame structure as stated by MR. CHAMBERS.

MRS. FEARL PICKERING, Route 202, Hancock, said that she did not take in guests in 1937 and did not keep books.

ALBERT PICARD (NA), Chief of Police, Peterboro, N.H., could think of no tourist home on Route 202 running north between Peterboro and Hancock answering the description supplied by Mr. CHAMBERS.

MRS. ETHEL MacDUFF of the KNIGHT homestead, Route 101, to the south of Peterboro, made available registrations for the month of August, 1937 which did not reflect the names of CHAMBERS or HISS.

MRS. ELIZABETH M. BINGHAM, who operates Blake House on Route 101 to the South of Peterboro, could locate no registrations for 1937 and believes that they were destroyed.

ESTHER SJBLUM, owner of the Manse, Route 101, Main St., Peterboro, N.H., stated the former owner, CHARLES WARD CHENEY, never turned over the registrations to her when she purchased the Manse.

MR. CHARLES CHENEY, 20 Gray Gardens West, Cambridge, Mass., a certified public accountant, with office at 1 Court St., Boston, said the Manse was formerly owned by his mother, MARY L. SCHOFIELD, (deceased,) during the year 1937. He said it was possible that the registrations were in his possession or possibly at Peterboro, N.H. at the home of his mother.

MR. CHARLES WARD CHENEY later contacted Special Agent FREDERICK M. CONNORS and said that a search of his papers had failed to reflect the guest registrations for the Manse. He volunteered to accompany the reporting Agent to his mother's homestead at Peterboro, N.H. and make a check of her personal effects. This check was made on 1/19/49 but failed to disclose a registration book of the Manse for the year 1937. It is the belief of Mr. CHARLES WARD CHENEY that his mother,

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MRS. SCHOFIELD, had destroyed the guest registration books prior to her death.

ALBERT BATES, Manager and owner of the Tavern, situated at Route 101, Main St., Peterboro, N.H., advised he had no registrations dating back to 1937. He said that in the year 1937 the Tavern was owned by MATTHEW CAVANAUGH. BATES said he had some extremely old registrations that he was keeping for historical purposes but believes the registrations covering the period 1937 had been destroyed by a previous owner.

MRS. MATTHEW L. CAVANAUGH, Old Dublin Road, Peterboro, N.H., on 1/14/49, advised she had no recollection as to what disposition had been made of the 1937 registrations of "The Tavern." She agreed to make a search and advise reporting Agent.

On 1/17/49 she telephonically advised Special Agent CONNORS that a search of the records taken from the "Tavern" failed to disclose the 1937 registrations and she and her husband believed that they had been left at the hotel and possibly had been disposed of by their successor, a Mr. CHARLES BISHOP, of New Haven, Connecticut.

A lead was set out to the New Haven Office to contact MR. CHARLES BISHOP who had owned the Tavern from 1944 to 1946. He and his wife stated that all the records were left there when they sold the hotel. He also suggested that the guest records may have been given to a MAJOR A. O. GOYETTE, owner of the Goyette Museum in Peterboro, N.H.

- P E N D I N G -

THE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

Will interview CHARLES HORSKY, reportedly a close associate of ALGER HISS while the latter was employed at the Solicitor General's Office. HORSKY is associated with the firm of Covington, Burling and Acheson.

THE BOSTON DIVISION

AT HANOVER, N.H.

Will interview JOHN S. DICKEY, President of Dartmouth ~~University~~ <sup>College</sup>, who was reportedly closely associated with HISS while the latter was employed at the State Department and is believed to be a personal friend of HISS.

AT WILLIAMSTOWN, MASS.

Will interview JOSEPH ESREY JOHNSON, co-employee of ALGER HISS at the State Department, now teaching at Williams College, Williamstown, Mass.

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INFORMANTS

Confidential Informant Boston T-1 is [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] of the Commercial Club at Boston before which  
ALGER HISS spoke in 1946 and who has requested that his name  
and the letter which he furnished be kept in a confidential status.

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The Washington Field Office, by teletype dated 1/5/49, requested Boston to obtain any typewritten material which CATHERINE DRINKER BOWEN, author of "Yankee From Olympus," may have received from ALGER HISS. Special Agent BRENTON S. GORDON ascertained that the publishing company had no such records and a teletype lead was forwarded to Philadelphia 1/5/49 requesting the Philadelphia Office to contact Miss BOWEN at her residence, 921 Mt. Pleasant Road, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania. Copies of both of these teletypes have been previously furnished to the Bureau.

Professor BOGART was interviewed by a Bureau source as set out in Butel to New York and Boston of 1/10/49. The substance of this interview is being set forth in such a way as to disguise the fact that a Bureau source was used.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

This case originated at NEW YORK		File No. 65-3251 maw	
Report made at BOSTON, MASS.	Date 1/24/49	Period 1/3 - 21/49	Report made by FREDERICK M. CONNORS
Title JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, Was. ALGER HISS ET AL			Character PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Synopsis:

CHARLES CURTIS and JOHN L. HALL, former associates of HISS at Choate, Hall and Stewart, Boston, Mass., Judge CHARLES EDWARD WYZANSKI and Professor PAUL R. FREUND, Harvard University, former associates of HISS in Solicitor General's Office, Washington, D. C., on interview could furnish no information pertinent to instant case. Professor RICHARD FIELD, Harvard Law School, cannot recall HISS having a typewriter and did not know his associates at Washington, D.C. Woodstock typewriter, Serial No. F92377, owned by CHARLES F. WEST of Newton, Mass. not identical with machine used to type Q-6 through Q-69 documents in instant case. Professor BOGART, who corresponded with HISS regarding summer tenancy of HISS at Peacham, Vermont, advises he destroyed correspondence. No record of ALGER HISS' membership in or correspondence with bird clubs in New England area located. No typewritten correspondence of HISS located at Harvard Law School. Laboratory states letter furnished by T-1 emanating from HISS not identical with questioned documents. Typed letters sent CHARLES CURTIS and Professor RICHARD FIELD by ALGER HISS submitted to Laboratory for examination. No tourist registration of HISS and CHAMBERS for August, 1937 located at Peterboro, N.H. to date.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau File No. 74-1333.  
Report of Special Agent FREDERICK M. CONNORS at Boston dated 1/3/49.

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*f.t.*

January 25, 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. FLETCHER ✓

RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was et al  
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*Whitson*

This is to advise you that all sections of the file in this case are being maintained in Room 1647 since it is being constantly referred to by the five supervisors presently handling this matter.

The foregoing is for your information and approval.

*Whitson*  
L. Whitson

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*Mr. Mohr*

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## Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES

GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
 FROM : SAC, Miami  
 SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.  
 ALGER HISS  
 PERJURY  
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DATE: January 4, 1949

Reference is made to Bureau letter to Miami dated December 22, 1948, requesting that JOSEPH McCONNON be interviewed concerning a letter which he wrote to the Bureau regarding WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and ALGER HISS.

On December 31, 1948, JOSEPH McCONNON, 444 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami, Florida, was interviewed as requested. During the course of this interview, photographs of both CHAMBERS and HISS were displayed to McCONNON, inasmuch as McCONNON had stated in a letter to the Bureau that he was certain he had met CHAMBERS several years ago in New York. After seeing the photograph of CHAMBERS, McCONNON said that he could not definitely say that he had seen CHAMBERS before.

Upon being questioned concerning the circumstances surrounding the meeting at which he thought he met CHAMBERS, McCONNON stated the meeting took place while he was associated with Amtorg in New York City in approximately 1939. He stated that at this meeting there were present PETER BARONOFF, Chief Engineer for Amtorg, and a Captain NOVIKOFF, who was attached to the Aviation Section of Amtorg. McCONNON stated that during the course of this meeting, which was one of many he had with these individuals, he was introduced to a man whom he thought resembles a recent newspaper photograph of CHAMBERS. He recalls, however, that this man was definitely not introduced to him by the name of CHAMBERS but, to the best of his recollection, used the name JOHNSON. McCONNON could furnish no other information about the contacts of this man whom he thought might have been CHAMBERS.

Concerning the letter which he wrote to Congressman KARL MUNDT regarding the "TYLER KENT" messages, McCONNON stated that he had no definite information as to the existence of any microfilm copies of the messages which KENT took from the American Embassy in London, but that he reasoned such messages were in existence because he heard later that these messages ended up in Russian hands. McCONNON could furnish no definite

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information to substantiate his thoughts on this matter, but he stated he reasoned if other messages from the State Department were taken and given to CHAMBERS, in all probability the TYLER KENT messages were also taken by the same Russian contacts within the State Department.

McCONNON stated that he offered his services to MUNDT concerning the present espionage investigations but that he has received no reply from Congressman MUNDT to date.

McCONNON was also shown the photograph of ALGER HISS, which was forwarded to the Miami Office by the Bureau. McCONNON stated he thinks he recognizes HISS but he could not recall the circumstances, time or place of meeting HISS. He stated if he ever did meet HISS, it was not under his correct name, inasmuch as the name is not familiar to him.

McCONNON reiterated throughout the interview that he has previously furnished all the information in his possession concerning his knowledge of Russian activities either to the Bureau through the New York Office or at the Seat of Government. He stated that in order to refresh his memory concerning many contacts and activities while he was associated with Amtorg, it would be necessary for him to review the reports which he made to Bureau Agents prior to his entering the United States Navy in 1942.

It should be noted that Mr. McCONNON made numerous allegations during the course of this interview concerning various high governmental officials and their Communist affiliations. He alleged that SUMNER WELLS is associated with a pro-Communist clique, that Justice FELIX FRANKFURTER is a Communist, and that Captain ZACHARIAS, former ONI official concerning Japanese matters, is also considered a pro-Communist. Efforts were made to have McCONNON substantiate these allegations by specific details, which he was unable to do.

Mr. McCONNON is presently employed as a free lance investigator doing investigations for various insurance companies in Miami. He stated that he plans to go to Washington, D. C. during the week of January 3, 1949, inasmuch as he has been offered a very influential position with the American Military Government in Germany. He stated that he is a personal friend of Mr. EDWARD J. McCABE of the Bureau and that he intends to contact Mr. McCABE while in Washington, D. C.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. ROSEN

DATE: February 1, 1949

FROM : E. J. McCABE

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was.  
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Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

Reference is made to the memorandum from the Miami Office dated January 4, 1949 in the above-captioned matter, wherein it is reported that Joseph McConnon had informed Agents that he planned to go to Washington, D.C., during the week of January 3, 1949, inasmuch as he had been offered a very influential position with the American military government in Germany and that he would see the writer at that time.

It may be noted that the writer made Mr. McConnon's acquaintance some years ago when Mr. McConnon was being utilized as an informant in the New York Office. Mr. McConnon has not contacted the writer since his interview at Miami on December 31, 1948, and if he does and has any information concerning instant case or Communist activities he will be referred to the appropriate Supervisor.

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cc: Mr. H. B. Fletcher  
Mr. F. L. Jones

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**FBI**  
**LABORATORY**

**To:**

**UAC: 230000**

February 2, 1969

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on February 1, 1948.

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Re:

RAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS  
with aliases, et al  
Perjury; Espionage - R  
Internal Security - R

YOUR FILE NO.

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LAB. NO.

John Edgar Hoover, Director

Examination requested by:

**Abstract**

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**Reference:**

by Letter 10-16

**Examination requested:**

Let's see dated 1-27-49

**Specimens:**

**Discussion**

- K384 Handwritten application dated April 22, 1946, to the United States  
Guaranty Company, New York, New York, filled out by TIMOTHY HARRISON.
- K385 Typewritten application for salaried position, dated April 22, 1946,  
filled out by TIMOTHY HARRISON.
- K386 Typewritten letter dated April 25, 1946 on stationery of HERBERT JACONY,  
beginning "Dear Mr. STEVENS: I have known Mr. TIMOTHY HARRISON very...",  
signed in ink H. JACONY.
- K387 Typewritten letter dated April 23, to Mr. H. A. STEVENS, beginning  
"Dear Mr. STEVENS: Concerning your letter to me...", signed in ink  
ALFRED HOWARTH.
- K388 Typewritten letter dated April 25, 1946 to Mr. H. A. STEVENS, beginning  
"Dear Mr. STEVENS, Answering your letter of April...", signed in ink  
ROBERT D. PLUMBALL.

## COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: January 27, 1949

FROM : SAC, Richmond

ATTENTION: FBI Laboratory

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ET AL  
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 INTERNAL SECURITY - R  
 Bureau File 74-1333

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Re New York tel 1-26-49.

Mr. J. D. REYNOLDS, Personnel Director, Reynolds Metals Company, Third and Grace Streets, Richmond, Virginia, made available the following applications and letters of recommendation contained in the personnel file pertaining to TIMOTHY HOBSON, stepson of ALGER HISS, which contained type-writing specimens:

1. An application dated April 22, 1946.

It was Mr. REYNOLDS' opinion that perhaps the typewriter used in filling in this application was in the office of the Reynolds Metals Company in New York City as the application is dated on April 22, 1946, and was received in the Personnel Department in Richmond, Virginia, on April 24, 1946, and Mr. HOBSON was employed immediately upon receipt of his application.

2. An application dated April 22, 1946, to the United States Guarantee Company, which application, according to Mr. REYNOLDS, was filled out by Mr. HOBSON, himself.

3. A letter dated April 25, 1946, from Mr. HERBERT JACOBY.

4. A letter dated April 23, 1946, from Mr. ALFRED HOWARTH.

5. A letter dated April 25, 1946, from Mr. ROBERT B. PEARSALL.

The New York Office requested that the above specimens be compared with the questioned specimens involved in instant case.

JEL:WSK  
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 Enclosures

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DIRECTOR AND SACS URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP. R. ISR. RE UNSUB KEITH. RE LATEL ONE TWENTY SEVENTH INSTANT. WFO ADVISED LATE TODAY CHAMBERS, PRESENTLY IN WASH, DC, HAS IDENTIFIED PHOTOS OF WILLIAM EDWARD CRANE, WAS. BILL CRANE, WILLIAM MORGAN, BUFILE ONE HUNDRED DASH TWO SEVEN ZERO EIGHT SIX FOUR, AS UNSUB KEITH. UNLESS ADVISED TO CONTRARY BY BUREAU, LA WILL INTERVIEW WILLIAM EDWARD CRANE RE HIS CONNECTION WITH SOVIET APPARATUS AND PARTICULARLY HIS CONNECTIONS WITH CHAMBERS, COLONEL BYKOV, AZIMOV, WHO PROBABLY IS MORRIS AZIMOV, SCHEVESNIKOV, WHO PROBABLY IS VLADIMIR AZIMOV, SVESHNIKOFF, ISAAC FOLKOFF, AND IN REGARD TO ANY CONNECTION WITH ALGER HISS. WFO ALSO ADVISED THAT CHAMBERS HAS BEEN SHOWN PHOTO OF MORRIS ASINOV, BUT CHAMBERS SAYS THAT FROM THIS PHOTO, HE CANNOT IDENTIFY OR ELIMINATE ASINOV AS AZIMOV, SINCE PERSONAL RECOLLECTION OF AZIMOV IS VAGUE. IN ORDER NO INDICATION BE GIVEN CRANE PRIOR TO

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INTERVIEW, FOLLOWING CONTEMPLATED INTERVIEWS, UNLESS ADVISED TO CONTRARY BY BUREAU, SHOULD BE HELD IN ABEYANCE UNTIL CRANE IS INTERVIEWED, LA REINTERVIEW OF MORRIS ASIMOW, SF INTERVIEW OF ISAAC FOLKOFF, AND WFO REINTERVIEW OF VLADIMIR DE SVESHNIKOFF. LA WILL ACCORDINGLY KEEP ABOVE OFFICES ADVISED OF RESULTS OF CRANE INTERVIEW. BALTIMORE DISCONTINUE EFFORTS TO LOCATE UNSUB KEITH THRU SOCIAL SECURITY.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC WASHINGTON FIELD AND NEW YORK URGENT  
J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R, IS - R.  
RE WFO TEL THIS DATE. SISTER MARY VERONICA SUPERINTENDENT OF MERCY  
HOSPITAL AND CARROLL D. HILL, DIRECTOR OF UNION MEMORIAL HOSPITAL  
HOSPITAL, ONLY BALTO HOSPITALS LOCATED ON CALVERT STREET ADVISE THAT  
PRISCILLA HISS NEVER WORKED AT EITHER OF THESE HOSPITALS IN ANY  
CAPACITY. HOWEVER, SISTER MARY VERONICA STATED THAT PRISCILLA HISS  
APPLIED FOR ENTRANCE INTO SCHOOL OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY, MERCY HOSPITAL  
AT AN UNKNOWN DATE ABOUT NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN BUT WAS NOT ADMITTED DUE  
TO INSUFFICIENT CREDITS. MERCY HOSPITAL HAS NO ACTAL RECORD OF  
APPLICATION OF PRISCILLA HISS AND HAS NO CORRESPONDENCE EMANATING  
FROM HER, HOWEVER, A LETTER FROM MERCY HOSPITAL TO PRISCILLA HISS  
ADVISING HER THAT SHE DID NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT CREDITS FOR ENTRANCE  
WAS RECENTLY EXHIBITED TO SISTER MARY VERONICA BY AN ATTORNEY WHO  
REPRESENTED THE MARBURY FIRM OF BALTIMORE, ATTORNEYS FOR ALGER HISS.  
THERE IS NO CALVERT HOSPITAL IN BALTIMORE. FOREGOING FURNISHED  
TO WFO TELEPHONICALLY THIS DATE.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP. R.

RE APPEARANCE OF ANNA STIFFMAN SPIEGEL BEFORE GRAND JURY TOMORROW. FOR POSSIBLE ASSISTANCE OF SAAF DONEGAN BALTO. [REDACTED] HAS FURNISHED INFORMATION INDICATING THAT AN ANN SPIEGEL, BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN A MEMBER OF THE MD. CHAPTER PROGRESSIVE CITIZENS OF AMERICA, SERVED AS SECRETARY OF THE TWENTY SEVENTH WARD CLUB PROGRESSIVE PARTY OF MD. DURING FORTY EIGHT. ACCORDING TO INFORMANT ANN SPIEGEL REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN ONE OF SEVERAL MEMBERS OF TWENTY SEVENTH WARD CLUB WHO WENT TO WASHINGTON, D. C. ON MAY ELEVEN LAST TO INTERVIEW CONGRESSMAN RE DEFEAT OF MUNDT NIXON BILL. INFORMANT HAS FURTHER ADVISED THAT ON JUNE TEN LAST KAY GINSBERG, BELIEVED TO BE AN OFFICER IN PROGRESSIVE PARTY OF MD., AND HELEN SCHMERLER, KNOWN COMMUNIST, WHILE DISCUSSING REBUILDING WOMENS SECTION OF THE PARTY, BELIEVED IN THIS INSTANCE TO REFER TO COMMUNIST PARTY OF BALTO. INDICATED THEY HAD BOTH FORMERLY BEEN MEMBERS IN THAT SECTION AND ALSO INDICATED THAT ANN SPIEGEL SPIEGEL MIGHT POSSIBLY ATTEND THE FIRST MEETING OF THE GROUP TO BE HELD THE FOLLOWING FRIDAY EVENING. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] THE PROGRESSIVE PARTY OF MD. IS A COMMUNIST INFILTRATED ORGANIZATION CONTROLLED BY THE COMMUNIST PARTY. ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] THE MD. CHAPTER OF THE PROGRESSIVE CITIZENS OF AMERICA WAS ORGANIZED WITH THE AID OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND COMMUNIST PARTY MEMBERS WERE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN IN ORDER TO FURTHER THE PROGRAM OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE R. RE  
NY TELETYPE TO LA JAN. TWENTYEIGHT LAST. JEAN CLARK FIELD LIEBERMAN  
INTERVIEWED TODAY AND DENIED KNOWLEDGE OF ESPIONAGE OR COMMUNISTIC  
ACTIVITIES ON PART OF HERMAN FIELD OR NOEL FIELD. STATES NOEL FIELD  
EMPLOYED AS OBSERVER TO LEAGUE OF NATIONS AT GENEVA, SWITZERLAND,  
FROM THIRTYSIX TO DISSOLUTION OF LEAGUE AND LATER WITH THE UNITARIAN  
SERVICE COMMITTEE AT GENEVA AND MARSEILLES, FRANCE. SHE HAD NO  
KNOWLEDGE OF THE EXTENT OF HIS ACTIVITIES WITH LEAGUE OF NATIONS  
EXCEPT THAT HE WAS A DISARMAMENT EXPERT. SHE DENIED ANY  
ACQUAINTANCESHIP WITH ALGER HISS OR WHITTAKER CHAMBERS OR KNOWING  
OF ANY ACQUAINTANCESHIP BETWEEN NOEL FIELD, HERMAN FIELD, ALGER HISS,  
OR WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. SHE DENIED MAKING ANY TRIP TO BERLIN FOR  
THE PURPOSE OF CARRYING MESSAGES FOR ANYONE BUT STATED SHE HAD MADE  
ONE TRIP TO BERLIN DURING THE SUMMER OF THIRTYSIX, STAYING AT A YWCA  
TYPE HOTEL AND VISITING A GIRL FRIEND NAMED SAURE, FIRST NAME UNKNOWN.  
DENIED CONTACTING MARTIN DOERING OR KNOWING HIM OR CONTACTING  
ANYONE IN BERLIN TO DELIVER A MESSAGE FOR ANY REASON WHATSOEVER. [SHE  
STATED SHE WAS INTRODUCED TO PAUL AND HEDE MASSING BY HERMAN  
FIELDS MOTHER, NINA FIELD, WHO NOW RESIDES CAMBRIDGE MASS. SUGGEST  
NEW THE MASSINGS FOR ADDITIONAL INFO CONCERNING JEAN

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[LIEBERMANS ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES IN SWITZERLAND SO SHE MAY BE CONFRONTED WITH THIS IN A REINTERVIEW. THE IDENTITY OF THE MASSINGS AS A SOURCE OF INFO WAS PROTECTED DURING THE INTERVIEW. JEAN LIEBERMAN APPARENTLY WAS WITHHOLDING INFORMATION.] ~~JG~~

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*W. J. Smith*

*J. J. Smith*

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J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP R. RETEL FROM WFO  
JAN. TWENTYEIGHT. INVESTIGATION AT CHESTERTOWN, MD., REFLECTS NO ONE  
RESIDING AT RESIDENCE OF AGNES KRAFT. MRS. J. KELLOGG-SMITH,  
NEIGHBOR OF KRAFT ADVISED HILDA W. SMITH IS RELATIVE OF HERS AND IS  
NOW RESIDING FIFTEEN ZERO EIGHT SEVENTEENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, DC.  
STATED HILDA SMITH SELDOM COMES TO CHESTERTOWN.

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DIRECTOR AND SACS WASH FIELD AND NEW YORK

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS WAS ETAL PERJURY ESP DASH R. REREP  
HUBERT P. SMALL JAN TWENTYSEVEN ST LOUIS. INQUIRIES BEING MADE RE  
ASSOCIATED HARVARD CLUBS INDICATE THAT PETER E. PRATT IS DIRECTOR  
OF ALUMNI RECORDS OF HARVARD U. LAW SCHOOL. PRATT LOCATED LEHMAN  
HALL CAMBRIDGE MASS. IN EVENT PRATT HAS NOT ALREADY BEEN CONTACTED  
NY MAY DESIRE TO HAVE BOSTON OFFICE CONDUCT INQUIRY RE ALUMNI RECORDS  
OF HISS FOR POSSIBLE TYPING SPECIMENS. RE WFO TEL FEB ONE. JOHN  
DICKINSON INTERVIEWED TODAY AND ADVISES HE HAS MET HISS NOT MORE THAN  
A DOZEN TIMES AND NEVER ON A PERSONAL BASIS. THAT HE HAS NEVER  
VISITED HISS HOME OR CORRESPONDED WITH HIM AND KNOWS NOTHING OF HIS  
ASSOCIATES. DICKINSON RECENTLY TALKED WITH WILLIAM MARSHALL BULLITT  
A TRUSTEE FOR THE CARNEGIE FOUNDATION. BULLITT ADVISED THAT HE HAD  
QUESTIONED ALGER HISS CONCERNING THE CHARGES AGAINST HIM AND INDICATED  
TO DICKINSON THAT HE WAS NOT SATISFIED WITH HISS'S ANSWERS. ACCORDING  
TO DICKINSON HISS WAS EVASIVE WHEN QUESTIONED BY BULLITT AND HIS  
ANSWERS WERE QUOTE NOT GOOD UNQUOTE. BULLITT TRAVELS EXTENSIVELY  
BUT MAY BE REACHED THROUGH THE UNION CLUB NYC WHICH HE VISITS AT LEAST  
ONCE EACH TWO WEEKS. BULLITT HAS LAW OFFICE IN LOUISVILLE KY, ADDRESS  
UNKNOWN. HE SHOULD NOT BE ADVISED THAT DICKINSON HAS FURNISHED HIS

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NAME. DICKINSON FURTHER STATES AS RESULT OF GOSSIP IN WASH WITHIN  
PAST FEW MONTHS IT WOULD APPEAR THAT HISS MAY HAVE MET HIS WIFE AT  
THE ~~GRAND~~ SCHOOL IN NY; A SCHOOL THAT TEACHES SOCIALISM. FURTHER THAT  
THIS GOSSIP INDICATES THAT HISS IF GUILTY AS CHARGED HAS BEEN QUOTE  
PUSHED INTO IT UNQUOTE BY HIS WIFE. DICKINSON UNABLE TO FURNISH  
SOURCE OF THESE RUMORS EXCEPT THAT THEY HAVE BEEN CIRCULATED AROUND  
~~THE~~ METROPOLITAN CLUB IN WASH DC. FURTHER STATES THAT WHEN HE WAS  
OFFICIALLY CONNECTED WITH US GOVT BETWEEN THIRTYTHREE AND THIRTYSEVEN  
IT WAS HIS OPINION THAT HISS WAS QUOTE A RADICAL UNQUOTE. DICKINSON  
EITHER UNABLE OR UNWILLING TO FURNISH THE IDENTITY OF PERSONS WHO  
GAVE HIM THIS IMPRESSION. STATES THAT HE FEELS THE PERSON MOST  
CONVERSANT WITH THE RADICAL ELEMENT IN WASH IS FELIX MORLEY, BROTHER  
OF CHRISTOPHER MORLEY AND FORMER EDITOR OF WASH POST WHO NOW HAS  
OFFICES AT THIRTEEN TWENTYTHREE M STREET, NW, WASH DC. DICKINSON  
UNABLE TO IDENTIFY PHOTOGRAPHS OF WHITTAKER CHAMBERS AND NOT ACQUAINTED  
WITH ANY OF CHAMBERS ASSOCIATES IN COMMUNIST UNDERGROUND. WFO SHOULD  
CONTACT FELIX MORLEY BUT SHOULD NOT DISCLOSE DICKINSON AS SOURCE OF  
INFO.

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# CORRESE--- PAGE 2, LINE 1, WORD 8 IS "RESULT"

PAGE 2, LINE 2, WORD 3 IS "MONTHS" PAGE 2, LINE 7, WORD 1 AND 2  
ARE "THE METROPOLITAN"

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DIRECTOR AND SACS ALBANY AND NEW YORK

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J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE R, IS <sup>①</sup> DASH R.  
REBUTEL TO ALL SACS JANUARY TEN LAST RE HANDLING OF INSTANT MATTER.  
ST. PAUL TELETYPE DATED FEBRUARY ONE LAST ADVISED TIMOTHY HOBSON, SON  
OF MRS. PRISCILLA HOBSON HISS BY FORMER MARRIAGE, WAS IN NAVY AT UNION  
COLLEGE, SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK, NOVEMBER FIRST, FORTY FOUR TO JULY  
TWENTY SIX, FORTY FIVE UNDER THE COMMAND OF LT. CMDR. FRANZ B. ANDREN,  
WHO STATED THAT HE RECALLED NAME TIMOTHY HISS, BUT COULD NOT RECALL  
HOBSON, THAT IF HOBSON WAS DISCHARGED FROM NAVY AT UNION COLLEGE  
AS HOMOSEXUAL, HIS CASE WOULD HAVE BEEN HANDLED BY DR. O. J. CASE, THEN  
A COMMANDER. DR. O. J. CASE CONTACTED, SALAMANCA, NY, AND STATED  
THAT HE DOES NOT RECALL TIMOTHY HOBSON OR HISS. DR. CASE DISCHARGED  
FROM SERVICE MARCH FIFTEEN, FORTY FIVE. HE SUGGESTED CONTACT WITH  
FORMER LT. CMDR FRANCIS B. MC GUIRE, NOW LOCATED FOURTEEN MADISON PLACE,  
ALBANY, NY, EMPLOYED AS FIRE SURGEON, ALBANY POLICE DEPARTMENT. INTERVIEW  
MC GUIRE CONCERNING ANY KNOWLEDGE HE MAY HAVE OF HOBSON, ALSO KNOWN  
AS HISS, IT BEING NOTED HOBSON WAS DISCHARGED FROM THE NAVY AS A  
HOMOSEXUAL. ASCERTAIN IF DR. MC GUIRE HAS ANY WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE  
IN HIS POSSESSION THAT COULD HAVE EMANATED FROM THE HISS RESIDENCE.  
IF SO, SUBMIT SAME TO FBI LAE FOR COMPARISON.

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DIRECTOR AND SACS MIAMI AND NEW YORK

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ETAL. PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R.  
BY TELETYPE OF JANUARY SIX LAST NY ADVISED CHAMBERS STATED THAT IN  
SUMMER OF THIRTYSEVEN ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS TOOK HIM VIA AUTO TO  
SUMMER HOME OF THE LATE HARRY DEXTER WHITE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE. EN ROUTE  
THE PARTY STOPPED OVERNIGHT AT A TOURIST HOME IN THOMASTON, CONN.  
CHAMBERS HAS SINCE DESCRIBED THIS ESTABLISHMENT TO THE BEST OF HIS  
KNOWLEDGE AND PHOTOS OF VARIOUS TOURIST HOMES IN THOMASTON, CONN. HAVE  
BEEN VIEWED BY HIM. INVESTIGATION TO DATE HAS NOT LOCATED A REGISTER  
SIGNED BY EITHER HISS OR CHAMBERS AND PHOTOS OF HISS AND CHAMBERS HAVE  
NOT BEEN IDENTIFIED BY VARIOUS TOURIST HOME PROPRIETORS IN THOMASTON,  
CONN. : THE SUBSEQUENT INVESTIGATION HAS INDICATED THAT SUCH STAY IN  
THOMASTON WAS IN AUGUST, THIRTYSEVEN. MRS. FRED J. WOOD, WHO  
AT SUCH PERIOD OPERATED A TOURIST HOME ON MAIN ST. IN THOMASTON ARE  
PRESENTLY STAYING AT THREE FOUR NAUGHT FIFTH ST., SOUTH, ST. PETERS-  
BURG, FLA. AND WILL BE THERE APPROXIMATELY TWO MONTHS MORE. MRS. NORMAN

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*Mass*  
*FORMAL* A. WESTBY, DAUGHTER OF THE WOODS, LOCATED FOR THIS FIELD DIVISION A  
TOURIST REGISTER BEGINNING IN THIRTYEIGHT, WHICH HAD BEEN MAINTAINED  
BY HER MOTHER. SHE RECALLS THAT THERE WAS A PRIOR REGISTER, PROBABLY  
KEPT IN A LOOSELEAF NOTEBOOK. MRS. WESTBY DOES NOT RECALL WHETHER HER  
MOTHER DID OR DID NOT DESTROY SUCH LOOSELEAF NOTEBOOK.  
MIAMI OFFICE WILL INTERVIEW MRS. WOOD FOR ANY INFO PERTAINING TO THE  
PRIOR REGISTER WHICH THIS OFFICE AND MRS. WESTBY UNABLE TO LOCATE.  
NEW YORK WILL FURNISH MIAMI WITH PHOTOS OF CHAMBERS AND ALGER AND PRIS-  
CILLA HISS FOR EXHIBITION TO MR. AND MRS. WOOD UNLESS MIAMI ADVISES  
MIAMI ALREADY IN POSSESSION OF SUCH PHOTOS.  
MIAMI SUTEL AND SUREP AS SOON AS SUCH LEADS COVERED.

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 Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Gurnea \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
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DIRECTOR AND NEW YORK URGENT

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R. REBUTEL TWO ONE FORTYNINE TO KANSAS CITY AND NEW YORK. KANSAS CITY CI, HELEN MCALLISTER, CONTACTED AS REQUESTED. LETTER WHICH SHE RECEIVED QUOTE FROM LAWRENCE DUGGAN'S GROUP OCTOBER SEVEN UNQUOTE WAS A FORM LETTER SIGNED BY BILLY MAULDIN ON STATIONERY OF AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, ONE SEVENTY - FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK CITY. LETTER URGES MEMBERSHIP IN A.C.L.U. BECAUSE IT DEFENDS ALL GROUPS, NOTING THAT IN THE SAME WEEK IT DEFENDED THE RIGHT OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY TO EXIST ON A MIDWESTERN STATE BALLOT AND DEFENDED THE RIGHT OF GERALD L. K. SMITH TO SPEAK. LETTERHEAD INCLUDES NAMES OF NATIONAL OFFICERS AS WELL AS SIXTYFIVE MEMBERS OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE AND THIRTYONE MEMBERS OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A.C.L.U. LAWRENCE DUGGAN LISTED AS MEMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS. INFORMANT HAS NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF DUGGAN OR ANY OF HIS GROUPS. IN RESPONSE TO LETTER ABOVE SHE SENT IN REPLY SLIP MAKING HER A MEMBER. INFORMANT'S RELIABILITY IS AS SET OUT IN REFERENCED BUTEL. LETTER WILL BE FURNISHED NEW YORK WITH REPORT.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON  
FROM : L. B. NICHOLS

DATE: February 2, 1949

SUBJECT:

Mr. Tolson ✓  
Mr. E. A. Tamm ✓  
Mr. Clegg ✓  
Mr. Glavin ✓  
Mr. Ladd ✓  
Mr. Nichols ✓  
Mr. Rosen ✓  
Mr. Tracy ✓  
Mr. Egan ✓  
Mr. Gurnea ✓  
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Mr. Pennington ✓  
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Miss Holmes ✓  
Miss Gandy ✓

Alice O'Donnell in the Attorney General's office called to advise that the Attorney General saw Arthur Roark this morning. Roark is employed as an investigator for an insurance company and is investigating the Larry Duggan case insofar as the payment of claims to Duggan's family is concerned. The Attorney General told Roark he did not know very much about the case and stated he would arrange for Roark to see me. I told Miss O'Donnell I would see him at 4:30 this afternoon and asked her what the Attorney General's instructions were.

She said he had not given any instructions. I told her ordinarily in cases such as this we would make no statement. Furthermore, we had been specifically instructed in the Duggan case and the Hiss-Chambers case to make no comments to anything. She did not know what to do.

I told her, of course, I would see Roark but would follow the usual Bureau policy in such matters of finding out exactly what the man wanted, that as to the actual death of Duggan we had made no investigation and would not be competent to make any statement even if we wanted to. Miss O'Donnell stated she thought this was the proper procedure.

I will see Roark and will follow this procedure unless advised to the contrary.

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Right. The A.G. has forbidden any disclosure of anything to anybody.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC, NEW YORK

J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP - R, IS - R.  
GEORGE EDWARD ~~DIETHELM~~ FORMERLY RESIDED THREE THREE TWO SIX VOLTA PLACE,  
NW, GEORGETOWN, WASHINGTON, DC, IN NINETEEN FORTYTWO AND FORTYTHREE, DURING  
WHICH TIME HISSES RESIDED THREE FOUR ONE FIVE VOLTA PLACE, NW. DIETHELM  
FORMERLY LT. COL. USAF, DISCHARGED DECEMBER NINE, NINETEEN FORTYFIVE, AND  
MAY HAVE BEEN ABSENT DURING MOST OF TIME RESIDENCE WAS AT ABOVE. SUGGEST  
NY INTERVIEW DIETHELM AND HIS WIFE AS PER BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS JANUARY TEN,  
LAST. LATEST AVAILABLE ADDRESSES AS OF NINETEEN FORTYSEVEN ARE ONE TWO NAUGHT  
WALL STREET, NYC, AND THREE ONE ROCKWAY ROAD, GARDEN CITY, LONG ISLAND.

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J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP - R, IS - R.  
RE BALTIMORE REPORT DATED JANUARY TWENTYEIGHT, LAST, WHEREIN LEAD IS  
SET OUT FOR WFO TO IDENTIFY QUOTE ~~X~~ BIG BEAR UNQUOTE, REPORTED TO BE  
ASSOCIATE OF FRANKLIN ~~X~~ RENO AND ADVISOR TO LATE PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.  
SUGGEST RENO BE INTERVIEWED RE IDENTITY OF ABOVE PERSON AND WFO  
ADVISED OF RESULTS.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC, BIRMINGHAM

*Mr. Fletcher  
gpf*

J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP - R, IS - R.  
M. CAMPER O'NEAL, ONE TWO FOUR THREE SOUTH TWENTYSECOND STREET, BIRMINGHAM,  
ALABAMA, WAS A CO-EMPLOYEE OF ALGER HISS AT DEPT OF AGRICULTURE WHILE HISS  
WAS EMPLOYED THERE. BIRMINGHAM REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW O'NEAL IN CONFORMITY  
WITH BUTEL TO ALL SACS DATED JANUARY TEN, LAST, AND ALSO ASCERTAIN IF  
O'NEAL HAS ANY INFO REGARDING ASSOCIATES OF ALGER HISS OR ANY ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
~~EXCLUDED~~ INFORMATION RELATIVE TO HISS' AFFILIATION WITH CP  
UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT IN WASHINGTON DURING THAT PERIOD.

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WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK FROM WASH FIELD

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DIRECTOR AND SAC, NEW YORK

J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP - R, IS - R.

O. BENJAMIN GERIG WAS A CONTACT OF ALGER HISS WHILE HE WAS CHIEF,

DIVISION OF DEPENDENT AREA AFFAIRS, STATE DEPARTMENT. GERIG PRESENTLY

WITH U. S. MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS, NUMBER TWO PARK AVENUE, NY, NY.

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J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP - R, IS - R. RENVTEL TO  
WFO AND DIRECTOR, DATED JANUARY TWENTYSEVEN, LAST. SINCLAIR HATCH, ATTORNEY,  
NYC, ADVISED THAT H. CHAPMAN ROSE, A FORMER DIRECTOR OF CONTRACT SETTLEMENT,  
DEPT OF AGRICULTURES, WAS PERSONALLY ACQUAINTED WITH ALGER HISS. ROSE PRESENTLY  
LIVING WITH HIS SISTER-IN-LAW, MRS. NELSON P. ROSE, CARE OF H. M. HITCHCOCK,  
APARTMENT ELEVEN, WELLINGTON SHORES, SUNSET DRIVE, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA.  
ROSE WAS ALSO A FORMER NEIGHBOR OF ALGER HISS WHEN HISS LIVED ON VOLTA PLACE,  
NW, WASHINGTON, DC. MIAMI REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW ROSE IN CONFORMITY WITH  
BUTEL TO ALL SACS DATED JANUARY TEN, LAST, AND ALSO QUESTION ROSE AS TO ANY  
ASSOCIATES OF ALGER HISS AND FOR ANY INFORMATION HE MAY HAVE REGARDING HISS'  
ALLEGED MEMBERSHIP IN CP UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT IN WASHINGTON, DC.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP. - R, IS-R.  
FOR INFO NYC - WFO TEL JAN. THIRTYONE LAST REQUESTED SL DETERMINE  
WHEREABOUTS OF FORMER ARMY OFFICER, VALERIAN LAD-MOCARSKI, ASN  
NAUGHT DASH FOUR THREE NAUGHT FIVE TWO ONE, AND SET OUT LEAD TO  
HAVE HIM AND WIFE INTERVIEWED FOR ALL INFO IN POSSESSION RE ALGER  
HISS, FRIENDS AND ASSOCIATES. ~~L-M~~ L-M AND WIFE REPORTED  
AS ~~NEIGHBORS~~ NEIGHBORS OF HISS IN FORTYTHREE WHILE RESIDING THREE  
TWO NAUGHT NAUGHT P ST, N. W., WASH, DC, AND HISS AT THREE TWO  
ONE NAUGHT. RECORDS AGO SL INDICATE L-M VICE PRESIDENT AND  
DIRECTOR J. HENRY SCHROEDER BANK CORP, FOUR SIX WILLIAM ST, NY,  
A DOMESTIC BANK ENGAGED IN FOREIGN BANKING. PRIOR TO RECEIVING  
ARMY COMMISSION SERVED AS CIVILIAN, OFFICE UNDER SEC-Y OF WAR.  
COMMISSIONED FROM CIVILIAN LIFE AS MAJOR NOV. FORTYONE, AND CALLED  
TO ACTIVE DUTY, OFFICE UNDER SEC,Y WAR. UNDER SEC,Y OF WAR PATTERSON  
~~PERSONALLY~~ PERSONALLY INTERESTED IN OBTAINING COMMISSION FOR L-M.  
PLACED ON DETACHED SERVICE WITH OSS OCT FORTYTWO, AND SERVED AS  
CHIEF OF GERMAN SEC., SECRET INTELLIGENCE BRANCH, EUROPEAN THEAT~~ER~~  
THEATER OF OPERATIONS. IN ~~FOREIGN~~ FOREIGN SERVICE APRIL  
FORTYTHREE TO APRIL FORTYFOUR AND MAY ~~ON~~ FORTYFOUR TO DEC. FORTY-  
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FOUR. HONORABLY DISCHARGED ARMY JAN. THIRTEEN, FORTYFIVE AT REQUEST WILLIAM J. DONOVAN, DIRECTOR, OSS, TO UNDERTAKE IMPORTANT MISSION FOR THAT AGENCY IN A NEUTRAL COUNTRY UNDER DESIGNATION ASST. FINANCIAL ATTACHE, US LEGATION. REPORTED TO HAVE RESIGNED SUCH EMPLOYMENT SEPT. FORTYFIVE AND RETURN TO PRIVATE LIFE. L-M BORN OCT. TWENTYFOUR, NINETYEIGHT SAMARKAND, RUSSIA. SERVED IN RUSSIAN ARMY WW ONE AND AFTER DISINTEGRATION RUSSIAN ARMY, LEFT RUSSIA AND WAS IN FRANCH ARMY NINETEEN NINETEEN. ARRIVED U. S. ~~NINETEEN~~ NINETEEN TWENTYTHREE. NATURALIZED DEC. SIXTEEN, TWENTYNINE, USDC, SD NY - CERTIFICATE NO. THREE TWO TWO ONE ONE ONE FIVE. ADDRESSES - "WHIPPOORWILL-", KING ST, CHAPPAQUA, NY, NY, AND CARE OF BANK OF NY, FOUR EIGHT WALL ST, NY. WIFE, LAURA K. LADA-MOCARSKI. MOTHER, HELENE ANNE LADA-MOCARSKI, TWO SEVEN E. NINETYFOURTH ST, NY. REFERENCES - A X ZAZONOFF AND BORIS I. ALDADANOV, OFFICERS, ~~AM~~ RUSSIAN ARMY WW ONE, AND L. S. X CHANDLER, JR., SIX NAUGHT WALL ST, NY.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS., ET AL, PERJURY, ESP-R. RE  
WFO LETTER JAN TWENTY SEVEN RE INTERVIEW MRS. JOSEPH H. THOM,  
AND ST. PAUL TELETYPE FEB ONE RE INTERVIEW MRS. RUTH S. TYLER.  
~~THESE WAX~~ THESE WOMEN LIVED IN SAME APARTMENT BUILDING AT TWO  
EIGHT THREE ONE TWENTY EIGHT STREET, NORTHWEST WASH D.C. WITH HISS  
IN NINETEEN THIRTY FOUR DASH THIRTY FIVE. NEITHER MRS. THOM NOR  
MRS. TYLER RECALL KNOWING OR MEETING ALGER OR PRISCILLA HISS OR  
CHAMBERS WHILE RESIDING AT ABOVE ADDRESS AND UNABLE RECOGNIZE  
PHOTOS OF THE HISSSES OR THE CHAMBERS. MRS. THOM SUGGESTED JOSEPH  
CONRAD FEHR NOW BELIEVED WITH JUSTICE DEPT AND HARRY J. DONOHUE,  
WASH. INDUSTRIAL LOAN COMPANY, ONE FOUR ZERO SEVEN QUOTE K  
UNQUOTE STREET, NORTHWEST WASH D.C. WHO BOTH RESIDED AT SAME APT  
BLDG IN THIRTY FOUR DASH THIRTY FIVE, ~~WAX~~ MIGHT HAVE KNOWN HISS  
OR CHAMBERS. MRS. TYLER WAS INTERVIEWED THREE OR FOUR MONTHS  
AGO BY LA ATTORNEY REPRESENTING HISS, S ATTORNEY IN WASH D.C.  
RE INSTANT MATTER AND STATED SHE WAS UNABLE TO FURNISH THIS ATTORNEY  
WITH ANY INFO RE HISS OR CHAMBERS. MRS. TYLER DISCUSSED THIS MATTER  
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IN OCT FORTY EIGHT WITH HER DAUGHTER, MRS. WILLIAM PARENTHESIS  
GERALDINE PARENTHESIS WERTZ, MCCOOK, NEBRASKA AND MRS. WERTZ DID  
NOT RECALL HISS OR CHAMBERS. ST. PAUL REQUESTED INTERVIEW TRACY  
F. TYLER, JR. NOW ATTENDING UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA AND RESIDING  
EIGHT ONE FIVE NINETEENTH AVE., SOUTHEAST PARENTHESIS CHI PHI  
FRATERNITY PARENTHESIS MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. WHO LIVED WITH HIS  
PARENTS AT ABOVE MENTIONED APT IN THIRTY FOUR DASH THIRTY FIVE  
FOR INFO HE MAY HAVE RE HISS AND CHAMBERS.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ET AL; PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R.  
FOR INFORMATION NY, FOLLOWING LETTER RECEIVED FROM KANSAS CITY  
DATED JANUARY SEVENTEEN LAST, CAPTIONED LAWRENCE DUGGAN, SM-C.  
KC CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT HELEN MC ALLISTER REPORTED QUOTE  
LAWRENCE DUGGAN WAS A MEMBER OF SOME OF MY NY GROUPS AND  
PLAYED AROUND WITH THEM AND STEPHAN DUGGAN IS DOING THE SAME  
NOW DASH I'M AFRAID OF MORE ACCIDENTS. I RECEIVED A PERSONAL  
LETTER FROM LAWRENCE DUGGAN'S GROUP OCTOBER SEVEN. IF THEY  
WROTE TO ME OF COURSE YOU KNOW THEIR STATUS AS I DO. I'M KEEPING  
LETTER FOR YOU. UNQUOTE. ABOVE LETTER DATED JANUARY FOUR LAST.  
THE SAME INFORMANT IN A LETTER DATED JANUARY NINE LAST ADVISED  
QUOTE I THINK THAT LAWRENCE DUGGAN WAS QUOTE RAILROADED TO HIS  
DEATH UNQUOTE. IT TAKES A QUOTE STOUT FELLA UNQUOTE TO COPE  
WITH THESE GROUPS. I WAS ASKED TO BECOME A MEMBER OF HIS GROUP  
SOME TIME AGO. I SENT IN MEMBERSHIP CARD AS REQUESTED. UNQUOTE.  
KANSAS CITY HAS ADVISED THAT INFORMANT CONSIDERED UNSTABLE AND  
HAS BEEN GIVEN NO ENCOURAGEMENT AS INFORMANT. SHE HAS, HOWEVER,  
FREQUENTLY WRITTEN LETTERS AND FROM TIME TO TIME HAS BEEN CAPA-  
BLE OF FURNISHING INFORMATION OF VALUE. KANSAS CITY SHOULD IMMEDIATELY INTERVIEW INFORMANT AND OBTAIN LETTER WHICH SHE STATES SHE IS KEEPING. ALSO DETERMINE ALL INFORMATION IN HER POSSESSION RE

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LAWRENCE DUGGAN'S GROUP IN NYC, INCLUDING NAMES OF MEMBERS AND  
NAME OF INDIVIDUAL WITH WHOM SHE CORRESPONDED WHEN SHE SENT  
IN HER MEMBERSHIP CARD. SUTEL NY AND BUREAU.

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